A RESOURCE GUIDE FOR ONLINE COURSES AND TRAINING:

K-12 STUDENT VIRTUAL COURSES, AND

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

K-12 Student Virtual Courses and Resources

"*Virtual Schools: Trends and Issues – A Study of Virtual Schools in the United States*"
October 2001 by Tom Clark, Ph.D. TA Consulting , Commissioned By: Distance
Learning Resource Network (report in PDF - http://www.dlrn.org/virtualstudy.pdf)
Distance Learning Resource Network (DLRN) http://www.dlrn.org/index.html

Web-based Courses: SREB Publications - Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)
http://www.sreb.org/programs/EdTech/webbased/SREBPubs.asp
- *Essential Principles of Quality Checklist*
- *Essential Principles of Quality: Guidelines for Web-based Course for Middle and High Schools*
- *Web Courses for High School Students: Potential and Issues*
- *Electronic Delivery of High School Courses: Status and Issues*
- *Essential Elements for Web-based Course for High School Students*
- *Electronic Campus – documents*"

SouthEast Initiatives Regional Technology in Education Consortium's (SEIR-TEC
http://www.seirtec.org/) *News-Wire*, Volume Four, Number Two - "Learning Online"
http://www.seirtec.org/publications/newswire.html (*News-Wire* Page)
- "*Virtual Courses: What Educators Need to Know*" by Jennifer Burke of the
  Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)
- Other relevant articles in this *News-Wire* issue include:
  - *The Florida Virtual School Learning Experience* by Julie Young*,*
  - *MOLLI in Mississippi (Mississippi OnLine Learning Institute)*
  - *Web Portals: Guidelines for Selection and Use* by Jennifer Burke*,*
  - *LEARN NC Building a Statewide Virtual Classroom, and*
  - *Resources for Learning Online*

"*Web-based Courses for Middle and High School Students*" Southern Regional
Education Board (SREB)
http://www.sreb.org/programs/EdTech/webbased/webbasedindex.asp

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Commission Policy Issues
 "…established by Congress to develop policy recommendations geared toward
maximizing the educational promise of the Internet for pre-K, elementary, middle,
secondary, and postsecondary education leaders."

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http://www.sreb.org/programs/EdTech/distlearn/distlearnindex.asp

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"Virtual Learning – Takes a Front Row Seat" by Susan McLester, editor-in-chief *Technology & Learning* (CMP United Business Media) March 2002, Volumne 22, Number 8, Page 24+

"*Classroom Activities*"   - "Read about these classroom activities with multiuser virtual environments, and get ideas for online activities with your students in TAPPED IN."
http://www.tappedin.sri.com/info/classroom.html

Professional Development Resources and Virtual Courses

Professional Development and Learning Resources Task Group 2001-2002 - Southern Regional Education Board (SREB)
http://www.sreb.org/programs/EdTech/professional/profindex.asp

"*Elements of Successful Online Professional Development Programs**" Barbara Treacy, Glenn Kleiman, and Kirsten Peterson (March 2002)
http://www.edtechleaders.org/who/research.htm
http://www.edtechleaders.org/Resources/articles/SuccessfulOPD.pdf
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"*Online Professional Development for Teachers: A Collaborative Model*"
Barbara Treacy and Kirsten Johnson of the Education Development Center, Inc. and Merick Lofton of the Catahoula Parish, LA School Board and Paula Paul of Concordia Parish, LA School Board
Leadership and the New Technologies (LNT)
LNT Perspectives Issue 10 July/August'99 (Feature Article)
http://www.edc.org/LNT/news/Issue10/feature2.htm

"*Ten Things You Need To Know - Advice for Creating Quality Online Professional Development*" by Cynthia McIntyre and Bonnie Elbaum, with contributions from Concord Consortium staff
The Concord Consortium Volume 4, No. 3 Fall 2000
http://www.concord.org/library/2000fall/onlineedev.html

"*Online Staff Development: Lessons Learned*" by Donna Baumbach of the ITRC at University of Central Florida; article appearing in the SouthEast Initiatives Regional Technology in Education Consortium's (SEIR-TEC http://www.seirtec.org/) *News-Wire*, Volume Four, Number Two, Page # 4, "Learning Online" issue http://www.seirtec.org/publications/newswire.html (*News-Wire* Page)

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The CEO Forum on Education and Technology – "*School Technology & Readiness (StaR) Charts*": (http://www.ceoforum.org/starchart.cfm)
-   "*Teacher Preparation StaR Chart: A Self-Assessment Tool for Colleges of Education,*" January 2000 (a focus on teacher preparation), and
-   "*K-12 STaR Chart*" - "The STaR Chart identifies and defines four school profiles ranging from the "Early Tech" school with little or no technology to the "Target Tech" school that provides a model for the integration and innovative use of education technology. The STaR Chart is not intended to be a measure of any particular school's technology and readiness, but rather to serve as a benchmark against which every school can assess and track its own progress."…"Applying for grants. The STaR Chart has helped schools and school districts **identify their education technology needs as they apply for grants.**"

The Knowledge Loom: What Works in Teaching & Learning
"Good Models of Teaching with Technology"
http://knowledgeloom.org/gmott/index.shtml
-   **includes research-based practices**,
-   **"**The Collection – A database of best practice resources."
Developed by The Northeast & Islands Regional Educational Laboratory at Brown University. The U.S. Department of Education provided seed funding 1999-2000.

"*staffdevelop.org How teachers learn new technologies*" Jamie McKenzie
http://staffdevelop.org/   "…site produced by Jamie McKenzie Editor of **From Now On** fno.org

Web Teaching, Academic Computing, Dartmouth College - The Web Teaching site for educators and instructional technologists
http://www.dartmouth.edu/%7Ewebteach/index.html

ISTENETS Online – an online course focusing on the National Educational Technology Standards and Performance Indicators http://www.netsonline.clemson.edu/

"*The Best of the Web Professional Development Resources"* Jamie McKenzie, FNO (From Now On) http://staffdevelop.org/links.html

Yahoo! Education Courses - a tool for teachers to provide remote access to course information   http://courses.yahoo.com

<u>Additional Resources for Online Courses</u>:

- OnlineLearning.net
- Online Internet Institute http://oii.org/   - Workshops & Presentations
- Tapped In http://www.tappedin.sri.com/info/whatdo.html   - an SRI training resource
- TaskStream http://www.taskstream.com
- "Engaged Learning, Writing and Thinking" Jamie McKenzie, FNO (From Now On) http://www.fno.org/snake/index.htm